

**PATENT**

**Docket No. END920030120US1**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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TITLE: GRID-ENABLED ANT COMPATIBLE WITH BOTH STAND-ALONE  
AND GRID-BASED COMPUTING SYSTEMS

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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**REPLY AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**  
**TO EXAMINER'S ACTION MAILED JANUARY 12, 2007**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 12, 2007, having a period for response set to expire on April 12, 2007. A Petition extending the period for response for three months, to July 12, 2007, is included herein, along with authorization to charge the extension fee to a credit card. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

An amendment to the specification appears on page 2 of this paper; amendments to the claims begin on page 3 of this paper; Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.